

# Federal Inquiry or Railroad Strike?

Faced by demands from the conductors, engineers, firemen and brakemen that would impose on the country an additional burden in transportation costs of \$100,000,000 a year, the railroads propose that this wage problem be settled by reference to an impartial Federal tribunal.

With these employees, whose efficient service is acknowledged, the railroads have no differences that could not be considered fairly and decided justly by such a public body.

## Railroads Urge Public Inquiry and Arbitration

The formal proposal of the railroads to the employees for the settlement of the controversy is as follows:

"Our conferences have demonstrated that we cannot harmonize our differences of opinion, and that eventually the matters in controversy must be passed upon by other and disinterested agencies. Therefore, we propose that your proposals and the proposition of the railroads be disposed of by one or the other of the following methods:

1. Preferably by submission to the Interstate Commerce Commission, the only tribunal which, by reason of its accumulated information bearing on railway conditions and its control of the revenue of the railways, is in a position to consider and protect the rights and equities of all the interests affected, and to provide additional revenue necessary to meet the added cost of operation in case your proposals are found by the Commission to be just and reasonable; or, in the event the Interstate Commerce Commission cannot, under existing laws, act in the premises, that we jointly request Congress to take such action as may be necessary to enable the Commission to consider and promptly dispose of the questions involved; or
2. By arbitration in accordance with the provisions of the Federal law" (The Newlands Act).

## Leaders Refuse Offer and Take Strike Vote

Leaders of the train service brotherhoods, at the joint conference held in New York, June 1-15, refused the offer of the railroads to submit the issue to arbitration or Federal review, and the employees are now voting on the question whether authority shall be given these leaders to declare a nation-wide strike.

The Interstate Commerce Commission is proposed by the railroads as the public body to which this issue ought to be referred for these reasons:

No other body with such an intimate knowledge of railroad conditions has such an unquestioned position in the public confidence

The rates the railroads may charge the public for transportation are now largely fixed by this Government board

Out of every dollar received by the railroads from the public nearly one-half is paid

directly to the employees as wages; and the money to pay increased wages can come from no other source than the rates paid by the public

The Interstate Commerce Commission, with its control over rates, is in a position to make a complete investigation and render such decision as would protect the interests of the railroad employees, the owners of the railroads, and the public.

## A Question For the Public to Decide

The railroads feel that they have no right to grant a wage preferment of \$100,000,000 a year to these employees, now highly paid and constituting only one-fifth of all the employees, without a clear mandate from a public tribunal that shall determine the merits of the case after a review of all the facts.

*The single issue before the country is whether this controversy is to be settled by an impartial Government inquiry or by industrial warfare.*

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### Corder Notes.

Gordon Jackson and wife of Independence visited here several days last week with E. M. Moore and wife and D. G. Jackson and wife.

C. E. Corder was transacting business in Waverly Thursday. Rev. Alton was a passenger to Houstonia Friday evening.

R. A. Roberts left Wednesday for a few days' stay in Buckner and Kansas City.

Mrs. Rachael Slusher and daughter, Florence, and Mrs. O. J. Wollenman and children left Friday evening for Eureka Springs, where they will spend two months.

Paul Yancey of Waverly was here Friday.

Mrs. W. H. Dean returned Thursday morning from a week's visit at Columbia with Mrs. Mollie Leurs.

Rudy Wallenman of Gilliam was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. C. E. Jung arrived Saturday from Oklahoma City for a visit with Berry See and family and Mrs. Gattung.

Mrs. Billie Hitt was a passenger to Marshall Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Ervin and Mrs. Noe and son of Marshall, spent Tuesday here at the home of S. F. Giesendorffer.

Mrs. Rovilla Ervin left Saturday morning for her home in Oklahoma after visiting her with H. L. Berry and wife.

Charlotte Frerking of Concordia visited here last week.

Tom Jones and family attended the funeral of Mrs. Jones's grandfather in Higginsville Monday.

Mrs. Neimier and daughters left Monday for their home in Rising Sun, Ind., after a three weeks' visit here with C. H. Neimer and family.

Louis Frerking and family of Concordia spent Sunday here at the home of Wm. Kessler.

E. Y. Hurt and wife of Kansas City visited here last week with D. G. Jackson and wife.

Eva Langly of Marshall is spending her vacation here.

Mrs. J. L. Masters and son,

left Saturday morning for Sweet Springs to visit relatives.

Mrs. H. L. Bray and daughter, Genevieve, returned home Friday evening from a three weeks' stay in Bessie, Okla., where she was called by the serious illness and death of her father, Mr. Longest.

G. Kleinschmidt was looking after business matters in Kansas City Thursday.

Fred Schaeperkoetter is now the owner of a Maxwell car.

Dr. Jones of Blackburn made a professional call here Saturday.

Mrs. Bettie Hackley, Misses Joda Hackley and Edna Corder were among those who attended the basket dinner at Bethel Sunday.

Mrs. Anna Mortz and sister, Virginia Hogan of Geary, Okla., visited their aunt, Mrs. W. L. Holman, here last week.

Mrs. W. P. Morgan, Sr., Mrs. Louis Dean and Mrs. J. L. Jones were in Kansas City Thursday and Friday.

Henry Lee played ball in Slater Sunday.

Mrs. Emily Strader of Blackburn and daughter, Georgie, of Marshall, spent Thursday here with Mrs. H. L. Edwards.

Misses Myrtle and Aileen Ross, who are attending summer school in Marshall visited here Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. J. E. Summers and little daughter, Helen, were passengers to Kansas City Wednesday evening.

Florence Holscher of Marshall visited home folks here the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Rogge were in St. Louis the latter part of the week.

E. J. Rodekohl and wife were passengers to Kansas City Thursday evening.

Mrs. C. S. Stewart entertained the fancy work club at her home north of town Wednesday afternoon.

Misses Christiana and Esther Boehmer of near Hillee visited here last week with Mrs. E. S. Boehmer and Mrs. Hy Ostermeyer.

Thad Corder and family motor-

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ed to Higginsville Friday evening and attended the play given by the people of the Christian church.

Lelia Smith who is attending the Warrensburg Normal visited home folks here from Saturday until Tuesday.

C. E. Corder was in Kansas City the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Henry Schumacher, Mrs. Albert Schumacher and Bertha Schumacher spent Thursday in the country with Mrs. Sam Humphrey.

Miss Ada Kuddes spent last week with Nannie Brown near Dover.

Dr. Moore was in Kansas City Thursday.

H. L. Edwards and wife were passengers to Kansas City Friday morning. Mr. Edwards returned home Sunday night, but Mrs. Edwards will remain for a month at the Wesley hospital for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Scotten motored over from Sedalia Saturday evening and spent Sunday with S. M. Reynolds and family of this city.

Mrs. E. M. Moore visited Miss Mary Elsea in Alma Thursday.

Ben Simmons returned Wednesday to his home in Des Moines, Iowa, after a visit here with home folks.

Little Miss Helen Shea and brother, Master Thomas Shea, returned Saturday night from a two weeks' visit with friends in the country.

Rev. F. M. Burton and son, Frank, went to Winton Wednesday to spend the day.

Mrs. Joe Breeden of Washington, Mo., who has been visiting relatives in this city went to Waverly Sunday morning for a visit.

Miss Marcia Graham went to Odessa Monday evening for a few weeks' visit.

T. C. Sawyer went to Independence Saturday to spend the day on business.

Capt. E. A. Hickman, who has been stationed at Honolulu for the past six months, has been ordered to join his regiment on the Mexican border. He has been on detached duty with the United States Signal Service.

Rev. and Mrs. Thompson Penn left Saturday for their home in Monroe City, Missouri, after a few weeks' visit here with their daughter, Mrs. A. W. Allen.

Jerry Shinn left Saturday for a visit with his daughter, Mrs. Glynn Bridges in Oklahoma.

### A TWICE-TOLD TALE.

#### One of Interest to our Readers.

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